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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANTS GENERAL OF ALL STATES, PUERTO  
RICO, THE VIRGIN ISLANDS, GUAM, AND THE DISTRICT  
OF COLUMBIA

SUBJECT: (All States Log Number P98-0044 ) Centralized Credential and Quality  
Assurance System (CCQAS) Files Loading

1. The Department of Defense directed all Health Care Providers be entered into CCQAS by 30 April 1998. The Army National Guard (ARNG) must immediately comply with this requirement. The CCQAS is a highly useful tool for the ARNG to ensure all Health Care Providers are credentialed and privileged in accordance with AR 40-68, Quality Assurance Management.
2. The CCQAS, version 1.5 software was fielded to all States and Territories as part of the notebook computer issued to the STARC Medical Detachments in January 1998. Training on the use of CCQAS software has been made available to all States and Territories. The next training on CCQAS software is scheduled for 20-24 August 1998 at the Professional Education Center at Camp Robinson, Arkansas. The point of contact for this conference is MAJ Pamela Ward. Future training and updates will continue to be provided as new versions of the software are developed.
3. In order to bring the ARNG into compliance, physicians, nurse practitioners, physician's assistants, dentists, nurse anesthetists, optometrists, social workers, clinical psychologists, podiatrists, clinical pharmacists, and clinical dietitians will have their credentials entered into the CCQAS and forwarded to US Army Medical Command, Quality Assurance (ATTN: MAJ Ward), Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-6010 not later than 30 September 1998. States should begin to accumulate credentialing information on registered nurses (66 series), licensed practical nurses (91C) and pharmacists for entrance into the CCQAS database in the future.
4. Entrance of all Health Care Providers by the assigned suspense is critical to ensuring the continued readiness of the Army National Guard. Providers not entered by the suspense will not attend Annual or Individual Duty Training, nor be placed on Active Duty Special Work or be allowed to attend National Guard funded Continuing Education until CCQAS information is received at the Medical Command.

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5. The point of contact for this action is MAJ Pamela Ward at DSN 471-7903 or 210-221-7903; E-mail: maj\_pamela\_ward@smtplink.medcom.amedd.army.mil.

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